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August 1, 2003

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PARWEZ ALAM  
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Dear Mr. O'Bryant:

As you know, the County is in the process of planning for and implementing the various components of an emergency medical services system to accomplish a successful transition effective January 1, 2004.

One of the most important and costly components of the system, of course, is putting in place the vehicle and equipment infrastructure of the system. I want to sincerely thank you for continuing TMH's commitment to work with the County so that we might acquire needed hard assets of the existing system in order to continue this service to our community without interruption. To that end, our respective staff persons have been working together to evaluate the existing ambulance and support vehicle fleet to identify the emergency vehicles suitable to transfer to the County EMS. Below is the list of vehicles identified as being in reliable condition for future operational use:

EMS Vehicle #	Vehicle ID #	Vehicle Tag #	Vehicle Year/Model	Mileage
4-2	1FDKF37M7MNA66357	U34-46P	97 F-350	74,563
4-3	1FDWF36F8XEB17310	U56531	99 F-350	124,508
4-5	1FDWF36F92EB11413	MSS-92B	02 F-350	46,823
4-7	1FDSF36F6XEBO1347	U60-98B	99 F-350	127,408
4-8	1FDWF36F62EB11417	MSS-91B	02 F-350	40,059
4-9	1FDKF37FXVEC41573	U7840R	97 F-350	123,934
4-11	3GNGK26G82G87604	G36SLM	02 Suburban	14,666
4-12	1FDKF37F4VEDO8894	U7845R	97 F-350	140,473
4-13	1GBHC34W6GS171493	U7844R	86 Chev (disaster trk)	91,289
4-14	1FDWF36F2YEE24621	MFR-41H	00 F-350	73,071
4-15	1FDK37F4VEC26857	MFR-42H	97 F-350	152,274
4-17	1FDKF37F8VEC41572	MFS87B	97 F-350	139,599
4-18	1FDWF36F7YEE10228	U7854R	00 F-350	85,038

I am requesting that TMH consider donation of the above or reasonable consideration from the County for the acquisition of these vehicles. Given the time required to purchase new emergency vehicles, I respectfully request that you respond to this request by August 15<sup>th</sup>. Your assistance in this matter and throughout this transition is appreciated and is of the utmost community importance. Should you have any questions on this matter, please do not hesitate to call me or Vincent Long, Assistant County Administrator, at #488-9962.

Sincerely,

*Vincent Long*  
Parwez Alam,  
County Administrator

cc: Vincent Long, Assistant County Administrator  
Alan Rosenzweig, Director, Office of Management & Budget  
Benjamin H. Pingree, Special Projects Coordinator



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August 19, 2003

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Mr. Parwez Alam  
County Administrator  
Board of County Commissioners  
301 South Monroe Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Dear Mr. Alam:

I am responding to your letter of August 1 regarding the plans being implemented by the County for the transition of the emergency medical services system effective January 1, 2004. Specifically your letter covered the need for the County to acquire emergency vehicles and you listed those you evaluate as suitable for the County to acquire from Tallahassee Memorial. It was also suggested in your letter that TMH consider donating the emergency fleet to the County or a reasonable consideration from the County for purchasing such.

I want to assure you that TMH wishes to do everything possible to assist in this very important transition and though we would like to be in a position that would allow such a donation, we simply are not and must regretfully decline your suggestion. We are willing, however, to extend what we consider to be a reasonable offer for the purchase of such vehicles. Based upon our review of the emergency fleet we are willing to provide all the vehicles identified in your letter to the County for \$178,000.

An additional arrangement that you may want to consider is the use of our existing command center here at Tallahassee Memorial to house the vehicles in a covered environment and provide a working space for the EMS staff. We would be happy to allow your group to access this space at no cost or as little as we are legally allowed to accept. If the County has an interest in this, we will review the options available to us under existing laws and agreements.

I'll await further word from you as to the County's desire to proceed on the items covered in this letter. If you wish to discuss this further by phone, please give me a call. My staff will locate me promptly for your call.

Sincerely,

G. Mark O'Bryant  
President & CEO

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